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SMALL GRAINS – SEPTEMBER 2016

WYOMING HIGHLIGHTS

Winter wheat production in Wyoming, estimated at 4.25 million bushels, is up 2 percent from 2015, according to the September 1 Agricultural Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Winter wheat producers seeded 140,000 acres in the fall of 2015 for harvest in 2016, down from 145,000 acres seeded for the previous year's crop. Acreage harvested for grain decreased 5,000 acres from last year to 125,000 acres in 2016. Winter wheat yield, at 34.0 bushels per acre, is up 2.0 bushels per acre from last year.

Oat seedings in Wyoming totaled 22,000 acres, down 1,000 acres from last year. Producers harvested 7,000 acres for grain or seed, down 5,000 acres from 2015. Oat production totaled 385,000 bushels in 2016, down 47 percent from last year. Oat yield is 55.0 bushels per acre in 2016, down 5.0 bushels per acre from the previous year.

Wyoming's **barley** seeded area, at 95,000 acres, is down 5,000 acres from last year. Harvested area, at 82,000 acres, is down 4,000 acres from 2015. Barley yield, at 96.0 bushels per acre, is up 1.0 bushel per acre from last year. Barley production in 2016 is estimated at 7.87 million bushels, down 4 percent from the previous year.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

All wheat production totaled 2.31 billion bushels in 2016, up 12 percent from the revised 2015 total of 2.06 billion bushels. Area harvested for grain totaled 43.9 million acres, down 7 percent from the previous year. The United States yield is estimated at 52.6 bushels per acre, up 9 bushels from the previous year and represents a new record high. The levels of production and changes from 2015 by type are winter wheat, 1.67 billion bushels, up 22 percent; other spring wheat, 534 million bushels, down 11 percent; and Durum wheat, 104 million bushels, up 24 percent.

Winter wheat production for 2016 totaled 1.67 billion bushels, up 22 percent from the revised 2015 total of 1.37 billion bushels. The United States yield, at 55.3 bushels per acre, is up 12.8 bushels from 2015 and represents a new record high. Area harvested for grain is estimated at 30.2 million acres, down 7 percent from the previous year. Record high yields are estimated in Colorado, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, Washington, and Wisconsin for 2016.

Oat production is estimated at 64.8 million bushels, down 28 percent from 2015. Yield is estimated at 66.0 bushels per acre, down 4.2 bushels from the previous year. Harvested area, at 981,000 acres, is 23 percent below last year.

Barley production is estimated at 199 million bushels, down 9 percent from the revised 2015 total of 218 million bushels. Average yield per acre, at 77.9 bushels, is up 8.8 bushels from the previous year and is the highest yield on record since estimates began in 1866. Producers seeded 3.05 million acres in 2016, down 16 percent from last year. Harvested area, at 2.56 million acres, is down 19 percent from 2015.

For a full copy of the *Small Grains Summary* report please visit www.nass.usda.gov.